

REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-20 are pending in the application. Upon entry of this Amendment, claims 1-5 and 8-10 will be cancelled, without prejudice to Applicant's right to pursue such claims in a continuation application. The cancellation of claims 1-5 and 8-10 thus leaves only allowed claims 6, 7 and 11-20 remaining in this application.

In view of the foregoing, it is believed that this application is now in condition for allowance, which action is earnestly solicited. If any issues remain in this application, the Examiner is urged to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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